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Serial No. 09/942,641 – August 31, 2001
Group Art Unit – 2674
Attorney Docket No.: 1614.1186

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RE: AMENDMENT

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		Application Number	09/942,641	
		Filing Date	August 31, 2001	
		First Named Inventor	Hisashi OKHI, et al.	
		Group Art Unit	2674	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	\$150.00	Examiner Name	WU, XIAO MIN	

FEES CALCULATION (fees effective 12/08/04)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	23	- 20 =	3	X \$ 50.00 =	\$ 150.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	- 3 =	0	X \$ 200.00 =	0.00
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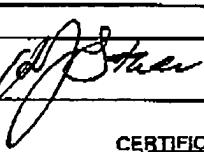
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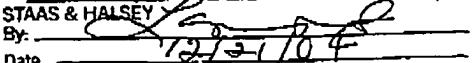
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In re the Application of:

Hisashi OKHI, et al.

Serial No. 09/942,641

Group Art Unit: 2674

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 21, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on December 21, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.